

REVENDICATIONS

5 1. Process for preparing a trademark registration application, by means of a local computer capable of being connected to a remote computer via a computer network of the Internet type, characterised in that it includes the following steps, performed on the local computer :

- 10 (i) entering the trademark,
 (ii) selecting the products or services to which the trademark applies,
 (iii) validating the entry and the selection,
 (iv) sending the validated entry and selection to the remote computer via the computer network,
said steps being carried out in the order indicated.

15 2. Process according to claim 1, characterised in that at least one step is implemented through cooperation between the local computer and the remote computer.

20 3. Process according to claim 1 or 2, characterised in that the validated entry and selection are re-transmitted from the remote computer to another remote computer, by electronic mail.

25 4. Process according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterised in that the entry step includes the operation consisting in scanning the model of the trademark.

30 5. Process according to claim 4, characterised in that the sending step includes transmission to the remote computer of the scanned model of the trademark, via the computer network.

35 6. Process according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterised in that the selection step includes the choice of the heading of at least one official class of products or services and the display of the corresponding number of the class.

5 7. Process according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterised in that the selection step includes the choice of at least one number of an official class of products or services and the display of the corresponding heading of the class.

10 8. Process according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterised in that the selection step includes:

- (i) entering at least one freely chosen wording,
- (ii) comparing said freely chosen wording with the potential wordings contained in a file,
- (iii) displaying, following said comparison, one or more wording(s) proposed from among the potential wordings,
- (iv) selecting at least one wording from among the wording(s) proposed,
- (v) displaying the number of the official class corresponding to the wording(s) selected.

15 9. Process according to claim 8, characterised in that the file contains the wordings of the official classification of trademarks and the number of the class corresponding to each wording.

20 10. Process according to claim 9, characterised in that the file further includes additional wordings not featuring in the official classification of trademarks and the number of the class corresponding to each of these additional wordings.

25 30 11. Process according to any one of claims 8 to 10, characterised in that the selection step includes the use of a comparison software package, this software permitting the display of a proposed wording identical with the freely chosen wording.

12. Process according to claim 11, characterised in that the comparison software permits the display of a proposed wording including the freely chosen wording.

5 13. Process according to claim 12, characterised in that the comparison software permits the display of a proposed wording synonymous with the freely chosen wording.